

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am signing Senate Bill 650 to provide treatment services to low income, uninsured men diagnosed with prostate cancer in California in a cost effective manner.

This measure invests more funding in direct patient care and maximizes the number of men receiving treatment. Under these program reforms, we will serve 366 men, 76 more men than the total number served in 2004-05, at nearly half the cost. I am directing the Department of Health Services to continue to monitor program cost effectiveness and work to maximize the number of men served for the amount of funds appropriated.

My signature of this bill builds upon the \$1 billion increase in overall funding contained in my budget to support health care services for low-income Californians.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger